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Whereas, as the 2006-2007 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Marshall School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty with the retirement of Nikki Fahnestock who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Nikki Fahnestock has taught GATE for seventeen years in the Marshall School District, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Nikki Fahnestock taught at Manchester School in Kansas City, at Sweet Springs, and at St. Peters prior to assuming her responsibilities with the Marshall School District; and

Whereas, Nikki Fahnestock has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, Nikki Fahnestock has supported her profession as a member of the Community Teachers Association, the Missouri State Teachers Association, and the Gifted Association of Missouri; and

Whereas, Nikki Fahnestock has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Dan Fahnestock; one daughter, Joel May; two sons, Dan Fahnestock and Jon Fahnestock; and three grandsons:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Marshall School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Nikki Fahnestock has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Nikki Fahnestock, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered b	у
	Representative Joe Aull
	District No. 26
Ninety-fo certify that	ton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, burth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do at the above is a true and correct copy of House on No. 2573, adopted April 24, 2007.